

## Green Mountain National Forest

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# General Forest Camping

### General Forest Information:

There are many general forest areas available on the Green Mountain National Forest for rustic or dispersed camping. These areas provide a place to camp and enjoy nature's solitude at no charge. Visitors can camp anywhere on the forest unless the area is posted closed to camping. Camp in existing sites or stay the strongly recommended 200 feet from roads, streams, trails, and bodies of water to disperse impact. Do not cut any vegetation. There is a camping limit of 14 days in any 30-day period on the Forest. Please leave the campsites clean by using Leave No Trace Principles, such as carry out what you carry in.

#### North Half of the Green Mountain National Forest:

**Austin Brook Road:** There are three easily accessible campsites by Austin Brook on Forest Road 25 in Warren. They are all within 0.25 mile of State Route 100.

**Bingo:** Forest Road 42, off of State Route 73 in Rochester, runs alongside a mountain stream. Camping is allowed at designated sites only. These 10 campsites are available on a first-come, first-served basis. There is a limit of 10 people per site. Check the Bingo Brook bulletin board for designated site locations and other site limitations.

**Downingville:** There is one site on the left in a small clearing near a beaver pond and another at the end of Forest Road 291 near the gate. In Lincoln Village turn onto Quaker Street by the general store and continue until you reach Downingville Road on the right. Follow this road until you see the turn for FR 291 on the right. Lincoln Village can be accessed from State Route 17.

**Brooks Road:** There are a few campsites along the road and an open area just beyond the turnaround at the very end of Forest Road 67, which is off of State Route 125 in Ripton.

**Kettle Brook:** This is a small meadow site at the end of Furnace Brook Road (Forest Road 57) in Pittsford. From the center of Pittsford turn off of State Route 7 onto Furnace Road. Travel on this road until you reach River Road on the left. This road will take you to FR 57, which begins at a Forest Service road gate.

**Michigan Brook Road:** Forest Road 35 in Pittsfield, off of State Route 100, provides many camping opportunities in the woods and along Michigan Brook. The road is not recommended for low clearance vehicles.



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**New Haven River:** There are a few campsites next to the New Haven River at the Emily Proctor and Cooley Glen trailhead on Forest Road 201 in Lincoln, which can be accessed via Forest Roads 59 and 54 off of State Route 125.

**Romance Header:** A large meadow campsite is at the end of Forest Road 224 in Goshen. A stream lies to the southeast of the meadow. Turn onto Forest Road 32 (Ripton-Goshen Road) off of State Route 73 and continue until you reach Flora White Road on the right. Take this road until you intersect FR 224 on the left.

**Sparks Landing:** There is one site in a small meadow on Forest Road 233 in Ripton. There is good fishing in Sparks Brook, which lies just south of the meadow. From State Route 125 take Forest Road 59 to Forest Road 54. Continue on FR 54 until you reach FR 233 on the left.

**Steam Mill Clearing:** There is a large open field on both sides of Forest Road 59, off of State Route 125, at the Skylight Pond Trailhead in Ripton.

**Texas Meadows:** These old fields and side roads along Forest Road 39, off of State Route 125, in Hancock offer many camping opportunities.

West Hill (White River Road) & Patterson Brook Roads: Secluded camping, open fields, and beautiful views are offered by the abundance of primitive campsites found along Forest Roads 50, 55, and 101 off of State Route 100 in Granville.

#### South Half of the Green Mountain National Forest:

**Forest Road 71:** This forest road stretches from the old Somerset airfield to the Kelley Stand Road. Campsites can be found in various spots along the way and along some of the forest roads leading off of Forest Road 71.

**Forest Road 74:** This forest road is a little less remote than other roadside camping opportunities. Off Route 9, it dead-ends in a couple of miles. Campsites are found unevenly spaced along the way.

**Kelley Stand Road:** The towns of Arlington and West Wardsboro are connected by this unpaved forest road. Numerous camping opportunities exist along the roadside near Roaring Branch River.

**Forest Road 21:** Mad Tom Notch Road is outside the town of Peru. There are four campsites located beyond the Appalachian/Long Trail crossing.

**Forest Road 10:** The Danby/Mount Tabor Road runs between Danby and Landgrove. There are several sites spread out along this road.

**Old Job:** Off of Forest Road 30, there are a few camping opportunities: an open area along FR 30 and both an open field area and a site near Lake Brook at the end of FR 30.

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